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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION AND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Requirement for Restriction dated February 5, 2002, applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, i.e., Claims 1-6 and 15-18 directed to a polymer matrix with immobilized catalase and another enzyme and method of making it.

Applicants also amend the claims as follows:

Claims 19 and 20 are cancelled without prejudice.

New Claims 21 and 22 are added as follows:

21. (New) The polymer matrix of Claim 1 in combination with a biosensor in which the polymer matrix is contained, the biosensor including means to monitor and detect changes in the polymer matrix.

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